

FOI Request (received 19 March 2019) - Reference: DFI/2019-0109

Please could you send me the following data:

- The number of DLM1 Medical Examination reports submitted to/received by the DVA annually for the past 5 years

Response (issued 08 April 2019)

Thank you for your email dated 19 March 2019 requesting information under Freedom of Information Act 2000 to include the number of DLM1 Medical Examination Reports submitted to/received by the DVA annually for the past five years.

In response to your request, I can advise that we introduced a new driver licensing IT system in late November 2016, from which I have been able to access the figures contained in the table below. Unfortunately, however, I am unable to provide figures in respect of the DLM1 Medical reports received prior to December 2016, as we did not collect or hold that information in a form that can be easily retrieved from the archived version of the old database.

In addition, I would advise that the information extracted is the date the DLM1 medical report was signed, rather than the date the application was received by us.

As the database is a live system which is subject to ongoing changes and updates, as a drivers' circumstances change and new applications are submitted, this information may be overwritten and consequently we may not be in a position to extract accurate historical data on DLM1's received.

The information in relation to DLM1s received annually from December 2016, is set out in the table below:

Table 1 – DLM1 Forms Received in DVA, by Year – 2016 to 2019

	2016	2017	2018	2019
DLM1s Received (By signed date)	349* ₁	7,717	10,218	1,152* ₂

*₁ - 2016 figures relate to the month of December only

*₂ - 2019 figures relate to the period January to March 2019

This completes the response to your FOI request.

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